

amount to be collected, properly signed by the president and secretary, and said assessment shall constitute an amount as large as can be economically expended on said work during the year ending on the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and six, and the said assessors shall meet on or before the first day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and six, and each year thereafter, and re-assess said lands in a sufficient amount to continue said work until such canals shall be fully completed, and report such assessment to the collector and treasurer, as required in section three hereof, and after the completion of such canals the said assessors shall each year, as hereinbefore provided for, re-assess said lands in a sufficient amount to keep said canals or lead ditches open and repaired, and report same to the said collector and treasurer.

Annual assessments until work completed.

SEC. 4. That each and every assessment shall be due and collectable on the first day of June in each and every year immediately after such assessment, and the said assessment shall be a lien on said land and shall be collectable in any court of competent jurisdiction of the amount of any such assessment, and the assessors' report to the collector and treasurer herein provided for shall be *prima facie* evidence in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Assessments due.

Lien on land.

SEC. 5. That W. A. Beard, Jr., be and he is hereby appointed as collector of such assessments and treasurer for same, whose duty it shall be to collect such assessments as shall be reported to him by the said assessors, and safely keep same, and pay out same only upon the written order of the secretary of the construction board hereinafter provided for: *Provided*, that said W. A. Beard, Jr., before collecting any of said assessments, shall enter into an undertaking, with good and sufficient sureties, in a sum not less than the amount of all assessments for each year, said undertaking to be made payable to the construction board hereinafter provided for.

Collector of assessments.

Proviso: bond to be given.

SEC. 6. That the ditches or canals provided for in section one hereof shall be constructed as follows: Up the main water-course of the Beaver Dam, Flat Swamp and Gum Log Swamp, beginning at and extending to any point in said water-course that may be necessary for draining said land; also a canal, beginning at any point on the Cape Fear River between Dunfield Creek and McDonald's Mill Creek, across the most available route about east to or near the Sand Hill to any point between Salem Church and Lock's Creek and Evans' Creek Canal, crossing Beaver Dam Swamp, Flat Swamp and Gum Log Swamp.

Construction of ditches.

SEC. 7. That A. L. McCaskill, W. A. Cook and W. A. Beard, Sr., be and they are hereby appointed as a construction board, whose duties shall be to lay out or cause to be laid out the canals as herein provided for according to the provisions of this act, and to hire and employ labor or hands to perform such work and ditch-

Construction board.

Duties.